

**New Jersey State Board of Education
Minutes of the Meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Career and Technical Education and the
Regular Monthly Business Meeting
In the Conference Room on the First Floor
100 River View Executive Plaza
Trenton, NJ**

June 1, 2016

Presiding: Mark Biedron, President

Secretary: David C. Hespe, Commissioner

PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM

Dr. Ronald Butcher
Mr. Joseph Fisicaro
Mr. Jack Fornaro
Ms. Edithe Fulton
Dr. Ernest Lepore
Mr. Andrew Mulvihill
Dr. Dorothy Strickland

ABSENT

Mr. Arcelio Aponte
Mr. Peter Simon

CONVENING

State Board of Education President Mark Biedron convened the public meeting with the reading of the statement pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

The Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the State Board of Career and Technical Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Department of Education, Secretary of State's Office and notice also having been given to the State House Press Corps, the Governor's Office and the State Board agenda subscribers.

And seeing there was a quorum, the meeting of June 1, 2016, was called to order.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Biedron then read the resolution pertaining to the executive session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, in order to protect the personal privacy and to avoid situations wherein the public interest might be disserved, the Open Public Meetings Act permits public bodies to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which certain matters are discussed, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b, the State Board of Career and Technical Education will now adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues. The State Board immediately adjourned to executive session on June 1, 2016.

RECONVENING

President Biedron reconvened the open meeting at 9 a.m. with the reading of the resolution pertaining to the resumption of the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

WHEREAS, consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b, the State Board will now adjourn from executive session to resume the open session of this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The State Board and the Commissioner participated in a variety of discussions on Career and Technical Education led by Kimberley Harrington, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Teaching and Learning and Marie Barry, Director, Office of Career Readiness.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Career and Technical Education adjourned its June 1, 2016, public meeting at 11:45 a.m.

CONVENING

State Board of Education President Mark Biedron convened the public meeting with the reading of the statement pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

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RECOGNITION OF ABIGAIL YASHIRO

The State Board recognized Abigail Yashiro, Bergen Arts and Sciences Charter School (Bergen County), as a part of its recognition program designed to honor a student or a group of students who have made a significant contributions to school, community, family or other groups. The State Board recognized Abigail for her selection as a member of the United States Senate Youth Program.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board members approved the minutes of the public meeting conducted on May 4, 2016.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Public Testimony

President Biedron stated public testimony would be held at 2 pm following the June 1, 2016 meeting. He also stated that the topics for the June public testimony included the amendments to chapter 8, Standards and Assessment, chapter 10, Educator Effectiveness and the Passaic County Educational Services Commission's name change request.

President Biedron stated public testimony would be held at 2 pm following the July 13, 2016, State Board meeting. He also stated that the topic for the July public testimony session is the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission's request to enlarge its purpose. He further stated that registration for the July 13, 2016 public testimony session would open on Thursday, June 16, 2016 and close on Thursday, July 7, 2016.

President Biedron stated that anyone interested in speaking at or also attending the public testimony session must register so the State Board staff can make proper arrangements for space. He also stated that members of the public should contact the State Board office at 609-984-6024 or check the following website <http://education.state.nj.us/sboe/reg.php> for updates.

Resolution to Honor Alexis Bailey

President Biedron welcomed Alexis Bailey, the student representative for the 2015-2016 school year, and her advisor, Ms. Keri Toomey. In her last address before the State Board, Alexis spoke about the skills she has learned this year. Alexis thanked the State Board members for the positive experience as the state board student representative.

The State Board members approved a resolution congratulating and thanking Alexis Bailey, a senior at Bayonne High School (Hudson County) and permanent student representative for the 2015-2016 school year for her service.

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board approved the following resolution read by State Board member Dorothy Strickland:

RESOLUTION FOR ALEXIS BAILEY

WHEREAS, Alexis Bailey, a student at Bayonne High School in Hudson County, has served with dedication as the student representative to the New Jersey State Board of Education from July 2015 to June 2016; and

WHEREAS, Alexis has executed her duties as the State Board's liaison to the student community with commitment, interest and enthusiasm; and has been an excellent representative of both the New Jersey Association of Student Councils and the Bayonne High School;

WHEREAS, Alexis participated in State Board meetings by making presentations which were articulate, thought-provoking, well-researched and a benefit to the State Board members; and

WHEREAS, Alexis's school career demonstrates that she is an accomplished student of academics and her leadership activities and community services on the local and state level demonstrate that others have confidence in Alexis and value her contributions; and

WHEREAS, Alexis is a bright, outgoing young woman who sets long range goals and pursues them with eagerness and dedication; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the members of the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education, David C. Hespe, extend their sincere congratulations and appreciation to Alexis Bailey for a job well done and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education wish to acknowledge Alexis Bailey's personal and academic excellence as well as her leadership qualities, and that they wish her continued success in her future endeavors.

Report of the State Board Nominating Committee

Andrew Mulvihill, member of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of candidates as: Mark Biedron for president and Joseph Fiscaro for vice president. The vote will occur next month. State Board member Edythe Fulton also participated on the committee. Peter Simon served as chair.

Resolution to Establish the State Board Calendar of Meeting Dates for 2016-2017

President Biedron presented the monthly public meeting dates calendar for the 2016-2017 school year.

The State Board adopted the following revised resolution at its June 1, 2016 monthly public business meeting regarding the annual calendar of the 2016-2017 meeting dates of the State Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:1-2.2, N.J.S.A. 18A:4-7 and 10:4-6 et seq.

RESOLUTION **ANNUAL CALENDAR OF STATE BOARD MEETING DATES**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:4-7 states that, the State Board of Education shall hold public meetings at least once each month at such times as its rules may prescribe and at such other times and such places within the state as in its judgment may be necessary, but no meeting may commence later than 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:1-2.2 requires that such meetings be held at such time, place, and on such dates as established by the State Board, pursuant to **N.J.S.A.** 10:4-6 *et seq.*, Open Public Meetings Act, and notice of such meetings shall be made in a manner consistent with the law; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the State Board establishes the following dates for its monthly business meetings and public hearings for the 2016-2017 school year, and directs that a copy of the dates be sent to the Governor, the Secretary of State, the news media, the county superintendents, and the state board agenda subscribers.

PUBLIC BUSINESS/WORK SESSION MEETINGS 2016-2017

July 13	November 2	March 1
August 3	December 7	April 5
September 7	January 4	May 3
[October 5] October 12	February 1	June 7

PUBLIC HEARING SESSIONS 2016-2017

July 13	November 2	March 1
August 3	December 7	April 5
September 7*	January 4*	May 3*
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*Open Topic Sessions

Notice of changes in the above will be made in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS

Presentation by Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission

Christopher Rooney, Superintendent of the Monmouth-Ocean Educational Services Commission provided a presentation to the State Board regarding the Commission's request to enlarge their purpose. The presentation included information about the Commission's mission statement/objective; an explanation of the services the Commission provides. The presentation also included an explanation of the locations/counties that the Commission provides services.

Graduation: Ensuring a Meaningful Diploma for New Jersey Students

Bari Erlichson, Special Assistant to the Commissioner, Data Literacy gave a presentation with recent data showing high remedial rates for first time/full time students in New Jersey’s county colleges and four-year institutions, and highlighted the honesty gap between student results on the standardized tests compared to the same student’s grades in the classroom.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

**Items scheduled for a vote are marked with an asterisk.*

***A. Commissioner**

- Adopted the organization rules for the State Department of Education at N.J.A.C. 6A:2-1.1 et seq., pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:4 et.seq and N.J.S.A 52:14B-3(1).

***B. Appointment(s)**

- Approved the following appointments pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:4-32-35 and N.J.A.C. 6A:2-1.1 et seq.:

Appointments

- Margaret McDonald, Deputy Chief Learning Supports and Specialized Services Officer
- Samantha Skabla, Deputy Chief Legal Officer
- Diana Pasculli, Deputy Chief External Affairs Officer
- Harold Lee, Director, Office of Charter and Renaissance Schools
- Christopher Snyder, Director, Office of Intervention and Support
- Kristen Brown, Chief Talent Officer
- Kathryn Whalen, Director, Office of Equity and Compliance
- Dodi Price, Chief Administrative Officer
- Kevin Dehmer, Chief Financial Officer
- David Podolsky, Director, Office of Accounting

***C. Certification of School Districts**

- Certified for a period of three years, the following school districts recommended by the Commissioner, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-14a and b.

Certified School District	County
Long Beach Island	Ocean

***D. State Special Education Advisory Council**

- Adopted the following resolution approving appointments and reappointments to the State Special Education Advisory Council for a period of two years, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:4-66.1 and US P.L. 94-142.

RESOLUTION
TWO APPOINTMENTS AND EIGHT REAPPOINTMENTS TO
THE STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:46-2 requires that the Commissioner shall appoint biannually an advisory council for special education with the approval of the State Board which will consist of not fewer than seven nor more than 15 members representative of professionals in the field of special education and parents of children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:46-2 defines the role of the advisory council as advising in the promulgation of rules, regulations and implementation of N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and the establishment of standards and qualifications for professional personnel and further provides that the council members shall serve without remuneration; and

WHEREAS, the reauthorized Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) of 2004 requires each state education agency to have an advisory panel for special education; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education has established and maintains an advisory panel, known as the State Special Education Advisory Council, for the purpose of providing policy guidance with respect to special education and related services for children with disabilities in the State; and

WHEREAS, the advisory panel consists of members, that are representative of the state population and are composed of individuals involved in, or concerned with, the education of children with disabilities, including: (i) parents of children with disabilities; (ii) individuals with disabilities; (iii) teachers; (iv) representatives of institutions of higher education that prepare special education and related services personnel; (v) state and local education officials; (vi) administrators of programs for children with disabilities; (vii) representatives of other state agencies involved in the financing or delivery of related services to children with disabilities; (viii) representatives of private schools and public charter schools; (ix) at least one representative of a vocational, community, or business organization concerned with the provision of transition services to children with disabilities; and (x) representatives from the state juvenile and adult corrections agencies; and

WHEREAS, a majority of the members of the panel shall be individuals with disabilities or parents of children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the advisory panel shall: (i) advise the department of unmet needs within the state in the education of children with disabilities; (ii) comment publicly on any rules or regulations proposed by the department regarding the education of children with disabilities; (iii) advise the department in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the Secretary of the United States Department of Education under Part B Sec. 618 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; (iv) advise the department in developing corrective action plans to address findings identified in federal monitoring reports under this part; and (v) advise the department in developing and implementing policies relating to the coordination of services for children with disabilities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the State Special Education Advisory Council meets the state mandate for an advisory council and the federal requirements for an advisory panel; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Dr. Paul Barbato be appointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Dr. Christopher Shamburg be appointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Myriam Alizo be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Susan Colacello be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Beth Kelley be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Deborah Lynam be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Melanie McGacken be appointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Magaly Milton be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Leslie Rubinstein be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner recommends that Fred Tchang be reappointed for a two-year term effective June 1, 2016

E. Educator Effectiveness

- Discussed the amendments pertaining to educator evaluation proposed at N.J.A.C. 6A: 9C Professional Development and N.J.A.C 6A:10, Educator Effectiveness pursuant to N.J.S.A. N.J.S.A. 18A:1-1, 18A:4-15, 18A:6-34 and 38, 18A:26-2.7 and 10, and P.L. 2012, c. 11., and N.J.S.A. 18A:4-15.

WORK SESSION

There was no work session.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Education adjourned its June 1, 2016, public meeting at 12:58 p.m.

David C. Hespe, Commissioner
Secretary, State Board of Education